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## Transitions - Lyrics

### "From Pong to Today"

Listen, ok,  
Way before games were what we all played,  
You could find me on a *Rampage* in the arcade.  
First, it started with *Pong*,  
A table-tennis game but it wasn't too strong.  
For instance, it was only black and white.  
Nonetheless, kids would play it every night.  
Next came *Space Invaders*,  
Where you shoot aliens with little lasers.

Kids wanted to play. Consequently,  
Machines appeared all over the place,  
Indeed Atari fulfilled lots of orders,  
And made 2 billion dollars in quarters.  
Meanwhile, you have to know,  
*Pac-Man* was the captain at eating ghosts.  
And then the 80's craze,  
The industry experienced a golden age.

PCs and home consoles came,  
You didn't need to drop quarters to play games.  
Equally important, games were sick,  
*Legend of Zelda* in '86.  
Simultaneously, *Super Mario Bros*,  
On Nintendo came in to a lot of our homes.  
Immediately, it became a hit,  
You ran through mushrooms to get big.

Beyond sales, there's a story,  
These games had our imaginations soaring.  
Of course, we were just in a chair,  
But on the screens, we'd fly through the air.  
We had a need for speed - honest,  
So we rolled with a hedgehog we called *Sonic*.  
Then the 90s, games were ill,

Such as *SimCity*, where we learned to build.

Similarly, the game that sold the most,  
On the PC was *The Sims*, so you know.  
3D chips had us *Quaking* and *Doomed*,  
First person shooters came with a boom.  
Despite the appeal to the youth, um,  
Some saw the violence as too gruesome.  
Accordingly, ratings were introduced,  
To make all these games easier to choose.

Playstation had hits like *MLB*,  
Specifically *Final Fantasy*.  
Truly Xbox CDs had graphics,  
And the cartridges couldn't catch it.  
Moreover, CDs were cheaper to make,  
On the other hand, CDs were cheaper to take,  
Cheaper to copy and to steal,  
But in 2006 that's when things got real.

Wii finally made games appeal,  
To the whole family, and they played for real.  
And on mobile phones, we can all be nerds,  
When we shoot down pigs with our *Angry Birds*.  
In sum, in summary, to sum up, too,  
On the whole, in the end, to conclude,  
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